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SUBJ: POSSIBLE MUZOREWA VISIT TO IRAN

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1. SHAH INFORMED ME SEPT 10 THAT BISHOP MUZOREWA
HAD COME TO TEHRAN OVER THE WEEKEND BECAUSE SHAH HAD
SENT WORD TO HIM IN LONDON THAT IRAN FELT BISHOP SHOULD
ATTEND ALL-PARTY CONFERENCE.

2. HE SAID BISHOP HAD MADE RATHER EMOTIONAL PRESENTA-
TION OF HIS POSITION, MAINTAINING THAT OVERWHELMING
MAJORITY OF ZIMBABWE PEOPLE SUPPORTED HIM AND THAT HE
HAD NO REASON TO SHARE POWER WITH NKOMO. SHAH SAID HE
GAVE BISHOP A "COLD SHOWER" BY POINTING OUT THAT NKOMO
HAD THE GUNS WHILE THE BISHOP HAD NONE AND THAT SOME
SORT OF UNDERSTANDING WITH THE MILITARY LEADERS WOULD
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SEEM PRUDENT.

3. SHAH WENT ON TO TELL ME THAT HE HAD NO WAY TO MAKE
INDEPENDENT ASSES MENT OF RHODESIAN SITUATION BUT WAS

RELYING ON BRITISH-AMERICAN JUDGEMENT BECAUSE HE ASSUMED

OUR INTERESTS PARALLELED THOSE OF IRAN. HE THEREFORE
COUNSELLED MUZOREWA TO ACCEPT BRITISH ADVICE AND
GUIDANCE.

4. HE SAID HE GAVE MUZOREWA SOME MONEY, ENCOURAGED
HIM TO THINK CONSTRUCTIVELY AND CAME AWAY WITH THE
IMPRESSION THAT MUZOREWA WOULD RELUCTANTLY AGREE TO
ATTEND ALL-PARTY CONFERENCE. IT IS MY UNDERSTANDING

THAT BISHOP HAS FLOWN BACK TO LONDON.
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